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OF THE
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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE
ZOAR BAPTIST CHURCH

Cleveland County, N. C.

September 22, 23, 24, and 25

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PROCEEDINGS.

NORTH CAROLINA, CLEVELAND COUNTY.

The Kings Mountain Baptist Association met in its fifty-fourth annual session with the Zoar Baptist church on Sept., 22nd 1904.

At 11 a. m. Rev. D. F. Putman preached a fine introductory sermon from Matt. 12: 42, "Behold a greater than Solomon is here." His sermon was full of Christ and was such as would greatly edify his hearers. After the sermon the Association adjourned one hour for dinner.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Body re-assembled in the house at 1: p. m. After a prayer led by Rev A. H. Sims, the moderator called the Association to order and appointed Brethren O. M. Mull and G. P. Webb Reading Clerks.

The roll of churches was called, their letters read and the following delegates enrolled, viz;

BEAVER DAM—W. E. McSwain, Posey Blanton,

J. L. Blanton, D. B. Green, R. L. Harrill C. B. Hamrick.

BETHLEHEM—T. W. Harmon, G. R. Watterson, G. H. Logan
T. D. Blalock, G. A. Dixon.

BOILING SPRINGS—D. S. Lovelace, M. D. Hollfield, J. B. Hamrick, J. L. McSwain, E. D. Hamrick, O. N. Hamrick.

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W. C. Carpenter, B. F. Bungardner.

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DOUBLE SPRINGS—B. Hamrick, W. W. Washburn, J. C. Pruett, G. W. Hamrick, J. L. Green, C. A. Hamrick J. D. Barnett.

ELIZABETH—W. G. Spake, J. L. Allen, A. H. Cline, E. C.

of this Body consisting of fifteen representative brethren to be divided into three classes; The five first named shall constitute class one and shall hold office for a period of one year.

The five next named shall constitute class Two, and shall hold office for a period of two years. The five last named shall constitute class Three, and shall hold office for a period of three years. It shall further be the duty of the Association at each annual session hereafter, to elect five representative brethren to succeed those whose term of office may expire with said session. Said brethren when so elected to hold office for a period of three years. Provided, that when a vacancy occurs on said Board from death, resignation or otherwise it shall be the duty of the Association to fill said vacancy at its next annual session.

II. That the Board of Trustees herein provided for shall be a body corporate with power to act as the representative of the Association, to acquire property by gift, purchase or otherwise collect funds and administer the same, select a site and erect buildings thereon for school purposes, employ and dismiss teachers and exercise all the duties and privileges commonly exercised by such bodies.

III That it be the duty of said Board of Trustees to present to the Association on the second day of each annual session a comprehensive report of its work during the previous year.

IV That it be the duty of said Board of Trustees to have a meeting within one month after their election and organize by making one of their number president, one recording secretary and effecting such other organization as may seem to them wise. That at an early date, they shall procure a charter from the State under the provision of which they may act.

V Should these recommendations be adopted by the Association, it shall become its duty to, at once, raise funds by subscription for the benefit of said Denominational High School. One third of which amounts subscribed shall be payable within

three months, one-third within six months and the remainder within twelve months.

Respectfully submitted,

J. V. Devenny
A. C. Irvin
J. E. McBrayer
D. F. Putnam
A. H. Sims

Members of Com. present

On motion said report was received and same was made a special order for tomorrow immediately after the noon hour.

At her own request, Corinth church was, on motion, granted a letter of dismission.

Rev. M. E. Parrish was appointed chairman of committee on Foreign Missions in lieu of Dr. Hubbard, removed.

On motion a committee was appointed to re-arrange and present to the body an order of business. J. V. Devenny, M. E. Parrish, and T. D. Lattimore compose said committee.

On motion the association adjourned to 9:30 Friday morning.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Met at 9:30 a. m. Rev. B. M. Bridges conducted devotional exercises.

The body was called to order at 10 a. m. by the moderator.

Roll of delegates was called and list corrected.

Brother O. M. Mull, one of the Reading Clerks, read the Rules of Decorum.

The Moderator Announced the Following Committees, Viz:

Time and Place:—M. N. Hamrick, J. M. Wilson, C. A. Borders, C. A. Hamrick, L. A. Padgett.

Ministerial Support:—J. M. Bridges, E. C. Borders, J. E. Blanton.

Ministerial Relief:—Carrie Elam, J. M. Green, H. W. Clark.

Obituaries:—J. D. Bridges, J. E. McBrayer, M. D. Hollifield.

Temperance:—C. J. Woodson, C. C. Hamrick, G. W. Harmon.

Religious Literature:—D. F. Putnam, W. W. Washburn, W. G. Spake.

S. S. & Colportage:—R. N. Hawkins, J. D. Bridges, R. B. McBrayer.

Foreign Missions:—M. E. Parrish, J. B. Hamrick, J. A. Stroup.

State Missions:—A. H. Sims, J. W. Irvin, R. L. Weathers.

Home Missions:—W. M. Gold, S. W. Hughes, T. D. Lattimore.

Education:—J. C. Gillespie, Dr. W. A. Thompson, A. M. Lattimore.

Baptist Orphanage:—W. P. Wilson, C. A. Miller, B. F. Jones.

Finance:—O. M. Mull, W. W. Washburn, L. S. Jenkins.

Digest of Church Letters:—D. G. Washburn, O. M. Mull, G. P. Webb.

Revs. R. A. Hedgepath, C. L. Dowell, and Brother Wm. Bland were seated as visitors from the Sandy Run Association.

Rev. J. V. Devenny, for the Committee, submitted the following

MINUTES OF THE
ORDER OF BUSINESS.
FIRST DAY.

10 A. M.—Introductory.

11 A. M.—Organization. Recognition of visiting brethren.

1:30 P. M.—Announcement of Committees as follows: (1) Religious Exercises, (2) Digest of Church Letters, (3) Temperance, (4) Religious Literature, (5) Education, (6) State Missions, (7) Home Missions, (8) Foreign Missions (9) Sunday Schools and Colportage, (10) Baptist Orphanage, (11) Ministerial Relief, (12) Pastoral Support [13] Finance, [14] Obituaries, [15] Chairman of Committees Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, same to be named one year before their respective reports are to be presented.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

2 P. M. Temperance.

2:30 P. M. Religious Literature.

3 P. M. Miscellaneous Business.

SECOND DAY.

9:30 A. M. Devotional Exercises.

Reports of Committees as follows:

10 A. M. Digest of Church Letters and discussion of the condition of the churches.

10:45 A. M. Education.

11:30 A. M. Report of Board of Trustees of Associational School.

1:30 P. M. Ministerial Relief.

2 P. M. Baptist Orphanage.

3 P. M. Miscellaneous Business.

THIRD DAY.

9:30 A. M. Devotional Exercises.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

10 A. M. Home Missions.

10:30 A. M. Foreign Missions.

11:15 A. M. State Missions.

1:30 P. M. [a] Sunday Schools and Colportage, [b] Pastoral Support, [c] Obituaries, [d] Finance, [e] Miscellaneous Business, [f] Final Adjournment.

On motion the above order of business was adopted.

Rev. C. J. Woodson read the following

REPORT ON TEMPERENCE.

Intemperence is insidious. It does not come at once with its burning streams to consume the heart of its victims, but, gradually and slowly drags itself along, taking one fortress after another until the fashionable, genteel moderate drinker has developed into the reeling and bloated drunkard. No man ever started upon the journey of life with the pre-conceived inten-

tion of becoming a drunkard. Among all the thousands who have gone down to a drunkard's grave, and have entered upon the scenes of a drunkard's eternity, not one supposed, when for the first time, he drank his social glass with a friend, or tasted the sparkling wine upon some festive occasion, that such would be his fate, but, step by step, the habit grew upon them day by day, it threw its fatal spell around them, until the last ray of hope which illuminates their pathway had disappeared beneath the gloom of perpetual night.

In total abstinence alone is there safety.

Touch not, taste not, handle not the accursed thing for, at last, it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder.

C. J. Woodson. }

C. C. Hamrick. } Committee.

G. W. Harmon. }

Bro. S. F. Conrad offered the following amendment to the above report, viz:

In view of the menace which the liquor traffic is to the peace and harmony of the community and its alarming and ruinous effects to morals and life. We therefore urge the abolition of its manufacture and sale from the State by a constitutional amendment as soon as practicable.

On motion the report on Temperance was tabled to come up this afternoon with miscellaneous business.

Rev. D. F. Putnam read the following

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your committee on Religious Literature, beg to submit the following:

We recommend the daily reading of the Bible in the home and other good books.

As to periodicals, we recommend the Biblical Recorder, the organ of our State Convention, which has so faithfully served our Baptist Zion in the State for the last seventy years. No one can be well posted in the Baptist affairs in North Carolina without reading the Recorder. Especially, do we urge the deacons and leading members to take the Recorder and induce others to do so.

We also recommend the Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field, published by the Foreign and Home Mission Boards, respectively.

We further recommend Charity and Children, our orphanage paper, and the North Carolina Baptist.

D. F. Putnam.
W. W. Washburn. } Committee.
W. G. Spake.

The above report was discussed by Revs. D. F. Putnam, J. S. Farmer, S. F. Conrad and T. Dixon. On motion the report was adopted.

The hour for the special order having arrived, W. P. Wilson at 10 a. m. read the following

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Our Orphanage located, at Thomasville, deserves our sympathy and hearty support. There are now 300 orphans cared for in the institution. They occupy 8 dormitories. There is a teacher and a matron in each dormitory, and a matron in charge of the infirmary, making in all, 17 teachers and matrons.

The Chowan building is nearing completion which will increase the number of teachers and matrons to 19. We can then increase the number of orphans to 350.

Unfortunately, typhoid fever has broken out and we have had some thirty cases.

The executive committee met Wednesday night and decided to put in a sewerage and make other changes necessary as a preventive. The extra expense of this epidemic will render it necessary for us to contribute to this object at once. The Orphanage, as you know, has been and will continue to be supported by our contributions.

Brethren, let us have orphans day in our Sunday Schools and churches and continue to support the children of our deceased brethren and sisters.

W. P. Wilson.
B. F. Jones. } Committee.
C. A. Miller

Rev. J. B. Boone was given the whole time allotted to this report. He made strong and sympathetic appeals for the fatherless and motherless, the sick and afflicted ones. He held the people spell-bound while he was filling his mission and doing his part by giving his time, talent and life for these unfortunate ones. Many exclaimed: "The right man in the right place!" A cash hat collection was taken amounting to \$62.85 See pledges in regular list.

On motion the report on Baptist Orphanage was adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned for one hour. Prayer by Rev. C. J. Woodson.

FRIDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Rev. R. F. Treadway led in Prayer. In accordance with the present order of business the report of the committee on Denominational High School was taken up

and discussed by Revs. J. V. Devenny, R. F. Tredway, A. H. Sims and Bro. J. B. Carlyle.

On motion the above report was adopted by a rising vote, ayes 67, nays 3.

On motion a committee of three with the moderator added, was appointed to nominate a Board of Trustees for Denominational High School. Revs. A. H. Sims, D. F. Putnam, J. V. Devenny and A. C. Irvin compose said committee.

Rev. J. C. Gillespie read as follows, the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Our people are realizing, as never before, the great importance of educating all classes. The demands of the times for better educated men and women in all walks of life have seemed to greatly broaden the minds of the people generally, on this great subject until now we don't see so many holding to the educating of their own children and special classes to the exclusion of the others, but are ready now to put in their money and time for the educating of the masses. This interest manifests itself in the increased facilities in our public schools, found in better equipped school houses, better prepared teachers and longer terms. It is further seen in the greatly increased per cent. of those going on to the higher schools and colleges so that these too, for the most part are in the most flourishing condition in all their history. We rejoice, especially, in the continued prosperity of our own denominational schools and colleges in our State. All these show the great onward movement in the cause of general education, and we as a people should join heart and hand in pushing along this great work.

But your committee desires to call special attention to ministerial education. The founders of the Baptist State Convention and of Wake Forest College made much of this work and it has truly been said, "Wisdom has been more than justified by her works" in this.

The Board of Education located at Wake Forest has been the agent employed in carrying on this work, and doubtless, no work has ever brought in better returns. This is seen we believe by contrasting the intelligence of the Baptist people half a century ago with the present.

Then they were laughed at by the better informed but now they command a respectful hearing everywhere. And along with this has developed the ability to render the most efficient service in the Master's name.

Other causes might be produced as a means of helping the people to become more intelligent and better prepared for efficient service, but there is none so apparent as that done for the ministry throughout the Board of Education.

The old saying "like Priests like people" is very applicable here, and now, as never before, the people are seeming to hear this apostle's command to study to make himself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth, and hence are calling, as never before for trained men to teach in the great work of the Master.

But, brethren! the Board's hands are tied, only as we untie them by making our contributions to this object. They are now aiding 47 men.

We recommend that we shall do all in our power to help promote general education, but especially that we strive to put the cause of Ministerial Education before our people and see to it that all the churches take a collection for this object some time during the next associational year.

J. C. Gillespie.	} Committee
A. M. Lattimore.	
W. A. Thompson.	

The above report was discussed by Rev. J. C. Gillespie and Bro. J. B. Carlysle. (See list of pledges.) On motion the report on education was adopted.

On motion the Report on Temperance was set for discussion as 8 o'clock this [Friday] evening.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, your committee on time and place recommend that the next session of the King's Mountain Baptist Association meet with the King's Mountain Church 14 miles east of Shelby on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1905.

We also recommend that Rev. D. G. Washburn be appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon next year with Rev. J. V. Devenny alternate.

M. N. Hamrick,	} Committee.
C. A. Borders.	
L. A. Padgett.	
J. M. Wilson.	
C. A. Hamrick.	

The report on time and place was adopted.

Revs. T. Dixon and D. G. Washburn were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

On motion the Moderator, Rev. A. C. Irvin, was added to the list.

Revs. B. M. Bridges and A. C. Irvin were selected as messengers to the Sandy Run Association and Rev. J. V. Devenny as messenger to the Green River Association.

Rev. A. C. Irvin was elected a member of the State Board of Missions.

Rev. M. E. Parish was elected as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in Kansas City, Missouri, on the 12th day of May 1905, Rev. D. G. Washburn, alternate.

On motion the Association adjourned to 8 o'clock to-night. Prayer by Rev. I. T. Newton.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION.

The association met at 8 o'clock p. m. and after Devotional Exercises took up the report on Temperance which was discussed extensively. Revs. S. F. Conrad of Charlotte, N. C. J. D. Baily, moderator of the Broad River Association in S. C. and C. L. Dowel of Caroleen, N. C., all made Strong Temperance speeches which seemed to meet the hearty approval of the entire audience.

On motion adjourned to 9:30, p. m. to-morrow.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

Met at 9:30, a. m. Devotional Exercises conducted by Rev. Hight C. Moore.

At 10; o'clock a. m. the body was called to order by the moderator and Bro. W. M. Gold read the following

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our Lord's command, as found in Acts, 1:8 is "ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem and in all Judah, and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

We find by this that the work of preaching the word and

fields of North Carolina. By this means nearly all the churches in the cities and towns of the State have received help at some time from the Board of Missions.

We now have about one hundred missionaries who are working under the directions of the Board and God is greatly blessing their labors but these missionaries are almost entirely dependent on the Board of Missions for their support, and likewise the Board is dependent on the different churches of the state for the means to pay for the services of these missionaries.

At the meeting of the convention in Charlotte last December the Board was instructed to appropriate Thirty Thousand Dollars for this year's work, and the greater part of this amount is yet to be collected: We therefore recommend that all our churches take steps at once to enlarge their contributions for this work

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. Sims

J. W. Ervin

R. L. Weathers

On motion all the time allotted to State missions was given to Rev. Hight C. Moore. He discussed State missions extensively. On motion the reports on Home, State and Foreign Missions were adopted and pledges taken respectively (see list of pledges). On motion adjourned for an hour. Prayer by Rev. J. V. Devenny.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met at 1 p. m. Prayer by Rev. D. F. Putnam.

The report on Temperance was taken from the table and discussed further by Rev. S. F. Conrad. A motion to strike out the amendment to the Temperance report, was withdrawn and on motion was unanimously adopted.

Rev. D. G. Washburn submitted the following report on.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

We, the committee on Digest of Church Letters beg to submit the following report the year of our Lord 1904;

The Association is composed of thirty seven churches, consisting of 6702 members, males 2766 and females 3936. Total gain in membership for the year amounted to 170 members.

There was raised this year for Pastor's Salary, \$5599.40; for building and repairing, \$4175.29; which is an increase over last year of \$2486.03; Contributions for minutes \$44.55; for State Missions, \$427.94; for Home Missions, \$351.28; for Foreign Missions, \$429.05; for Orphanage, \$296.69; for Ministerial Education \$107.67; for Old Ministers Relief, \$71.02; for other objects \$666.27; for the poor \$114.31; for Sunday School expen-

ses, \$451,31; for Incidentals, \$713,84; making a total contribution for all objects \$14,772,85; making a total increase in contributions for all objects of \$4,533,35, over the contributions of last year.

All the churches report Sunday Schools except one, and the majority of the additions by baptism, comes from the Sunday School.

The majority of the Church Clerks have made careful and accurate reports of the work of their churches, but we are sorry to say that the reports of a few of the churches were not as accurate as they should be thus making it impossible to give a perfectly accurate digest of the entire work of the Association. But from the church letters we find that there has been a general increase and development in every branch of the church work.

We would suggest to the pastors that they assist the church clerks in making out a full and complete account of their work showing more accurately the statistics from the Sunday Schools which at the present seem to be the key success in the church work.

Respectfully submitted.

D. G. Washburn	}	Committee
O. M. Mull		
Geo. P. Webb		

On motion the report was adopted.

Brother Carme Elam read the following

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Your committee urges the importance of this work and expresses the hope that it will not be neglected in the press of other business. The prime object of our churches should be the spread of the gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Our preachers, are of course the leaders in this great work. When they have given their lives and their means to this work and have worn themselves out in the service of the Lord, it should be our duty as well as a source of joy and pleasure to contribute something to the comfort of these old soldiers of the cross who are without strength to labor and without means of support.

Carme Elam	}	Committee
J. W. Green		
H. W. Clark		

Remarks by Carme Elam and Rev. D. F. Putnam.

On motion the above report was adopted.

The moderator read the following

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

The preacher should give his whole time and talent to the work of the ministry and in order that he may do this he must be supported by the churches. We, as Baptists, do not support our preachers as we should. We do not compare favorably with other denominations in the support of our pastors. The Baptists, as a denomination, are poor, it is true, but we think that we can do more than we are doing therefore we heartily recommend that every church in this Association support its pastor to the best of its ability and God will bless us more bountifully.

J. M. Brides	} Committee
E. C. Borders	
J. E. Blanton	

Remarks by Rev. J. V. Devenny, A. H. Sims, M. E. Parrish, R. F. Treadway, R. M. Farthing and C. J. Woodson. On motion said report was adopted.

Rev. A. H. Sims read the following

Report of Committee to Nominate a Board of Trustees for Denominational High School.

Class one:—W. W. Washburn, L. S. Jenkins, G. W. Kendrick, J. M. Wilson, J. V. Devenny.

Class two:—E. C. Borders, J. H. Quinn, A. H. Mull, G. H. Logan, A. C. Irvin.

Class three:—Carme Elam, E. B. Hamrick, N. B. Kendrick, L. S. Hamrick, D. F. Putnam.

Note:—Last named of each class was added by the body.

On motion the above report was adopted and Rev. J. V. Devenny was made chairman to call the committee together.

Subscription books were at once opened and several of the brethren and a few sisters gave aid.

Rev. J. D. Bridges read the following

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

The letters from the churches report that since our last meeting the death angel has visited 20 of our churches and has taken 40 of our members from us. While this is less than two-thirds the number of deaths of last year, yet it shows to us that God is gathering his saints unto Himself that they may rest from their labors while their works do follow them.

Joseph D. Bridges	} Committee
M. D. Hollifield	
J. E. McBrayer	

On motion the report on obituaries was adopted. Brother W. W. Washburn read the following

FINANCE REPORT

We the Finance Committee beg to Submit the following report.

For State missions,	\$157.05
Home missions,	106.25
Foresgn missions,	151.60
Baptist Orphanage,	65.90
Ministerial Education,	48.10
Old Ministers relief,	51.25
Minute fund,	44.52
Total,	624.67

Respectfully Submitted.

O. M. Mull

W. W. Washburn.

L. S. Jenkins

On motion the Finance report was adopted.

The moderator announced the following

Chairmen of Committees to report next year.

Digest of Church Letters,	J. C. Gillespie.
Temperance,	J. M. Bridges.
Religious Literature,	R. N. Hawkins.
Education,	D. F. Putnam.
State missions,	J. V. Devenny.
Home missions,	D. G. Washburn.
Foreign missions,	M. E. Parish.
S. S. and Colportage,	C. J. Woodson.
Baptist Orphanage,	A. H. Sims.
Ministerial Relief,	Carme Elam.

Rev. J. V. Devenny offered the following

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTION

Whereas, This, the King's Mountain Baptist Association, has unanimously expressed itself as favoring the complete abolition of the manufacture and legalized sale of intoxicating liquors from the State and.

Whereas, State or local prohibition in towns and counties are

not free from the sale and shipment of liquors from other States and,

Whereas, There is pending before Congress, a bill known as the Hepburn Dolliver bill which looks to the protection of prohibition States from the shipment from other States,

Therefore resolved, that we respectfully memorialize our congressman elect from this district and also the Congress of the United States to support this bill and enact it into a law, and that this preamble and resolution be presented to our representative in Congress and in the United States Senate by a special committee of three, of which our honored moderator be made chairman.

On motion the above preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted.

Revs. A. C. Irvin, J. V. Devenny and M. E. Parish composed said committee.

Rev. A. H. Sims offered the following resolution, viz:

Be it resolved, That we the King's Mountain Baptist Association, representing nearly seven thousand members and fifteen hundred voters, do earnestly protest against the use of the the public school funds for the aid of denominational schools and ask that such expenditures be stopped.

Remarks by Revs. A. H. Sims and R. F. Treadway.

On motion the above resolution was adopted.

Bro. J. M. Wilson offered the following Resolution, viz:

Be it resolved, that the thanks of this body are due and are hereby gratefully extended to the Zoar church and community for their extreme kindness and unbounded hospitality in entertaining the Association. The above resolution was unanimously adopted.

On motion Rev. M. E. Parish was elected chairman of Executive Board, to fill a vacancy and the remainder of the old Board continued.

On motion the Clerk was authorized to expend thirty dollars for printing minutes of this Session and retain the remainder of minute fund for superintending printing of minutes, postage and for his services as Clerk to this body.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with the King's

Mountain Baptist Church fourteen miles Southeast from Shelby, N. C., in the town of King's Mountain, N. C., situated on the Southern Railroad, fifty miles Southwest from Charlotte, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1905.

D. S. LOVELACE, Clerk.

A. C. IRVIN, Moderator.

SUNDAY'S EXERCISES.

Met at 10 A. M. After devotional exercises, Rev. R. N. Hawkins read the following

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday School in our opinion is one of the most important works of our churches in training the minds of the young and rising generation. The Sunday School work in the churches that compose our Association is very gratifying. All report Sunday Schools but one. We are glad to note the increase in attendance, as well as in contributions. There are enrolled this year 3,530, last 3,282, a gain of over two hundred. Your committee would urge every member of our churches to encourage the Sunday School work, and that every brother and every sister who is not a Sunday School attendant to at once identify himself or herself with the work and use their best endeavors to advance the cause for which it stands.

Your committee have nothing to report on the colportage work, but would recommend that some steps be taken by this Association in regard to colportage work.

R. N. Hawkins	} Committee
J. B. Bridges	
R. B. McBrayer	

The Sunday School work was discussed by Revs. R. N. Hawkins, Hight C. Moore, C. J. Woodson and C. L. Dowell.

On motion the Sunday School report was adopted.

At 11 A. M. Rev. Hight C. Moore preached from Matthew, 25 chapter, part of 24th verse.

Competent judges pronounced it an exceedingly forceful sermon. His portrayal of the man with one talent and its application to a vast majority of the people of the present day were so strong and so clear, that surely, all who heard with the purpose of heeding must have formed new resolves to endeavor to use to the best possible advantage, whatever talent may have been given them. At the same hour Rev. C. L. Dowell preached to a crowded audience in the school building and those who heard him were very much impressed with the sermon. A collection was taken amounting to \$28.16 for State missions.

ZOAR CHURCH AND THE SESSION.

As we gather about the old Zoar church, our minds turn backward to the year 1865, when our fathers met here in the fifteenth annual session of the Association. A time when, according to Webb's History of the King's Mountain Association (found in our minutes of 1901, page 38,) the Zoar church was styled the "Peace Maker" in that she presented to the body a query which served to unite the churches and permanently heal a great breach of several years standing among the churches of the Association.

These old standards of the Zoar church left such an influence for good that their sons and daughters are so reliable that they can invite the Association without a stick of timber placed and in one short year thereafter we find a magnificent new building completed and well equipped, and the old house converted into an excellent school building. While Zoar is willing to take her place at the foot of the Alphabetical list of churches, she is by no means least but seems to verify the Statement. "The last shall be first."

Many good things were said during this session, of the Association. The introductory, the reports and the speeches were interspersed with fine stanzas of poetry until it might be referred to as a poetic session. The Temperance talks on Friday night were such as to make one think that surely after all, intoxicating drinks are doing far more harm than good but the matter was sealed when the choir portrayed in pathetic strains the deep and heart rending trouble of a poor mother, almost frenzied with grief, wandering from place to place in the darkness of night searching for her boy, and how at each of these demon dens she would break forth in a pitiful and repeated Chorus—"Is Jimmy here? Is Jimmy here?"

One could but remember that just while this piece was being sung, more than a thousand wives in the United States were staying out in the chilly night with infants in their arms, waiting for a drunken husband to get sober before they dare to go home. Tell us not that whiskey cannot be driven from our

when the lives of so many broken hearted wives and mothers in the fight and calling to us for help.

v. Hight C. Moore's sermon on Sunday morning was quite enough to cause his hearers to soliloquise. Am I making promise of the one talent given me?

The thanks of the body are due Prof. W. G. Hopper and his for fine music well rendered from "Gospel Voice" and other works during the session.

(Clerk)

S FOR MINISTERIAL RELIEF			
am,	\$2 00	Patterson's Grove	2 00
n,	3 00	Patterson's Station	2 00
brings pd.	3 00	Pleasant Grove	3 00
City,	2 00	Pleasant Hill pd.	1 00
	2 00	Poplar Springs,	1 00
	1 00	Ross Grove,	1 00
s Grove,	1 00	Sandy Plains,	2 00
e	3 00	Shady Grove,	1 00
oals	1 00	Shelby,	10 00
brings pd	1 00	Union,	1 00
pd	1 72	Waco,	1 00
od	1 50	Zion,	2 00
	3 00	Zoar,	1 50
ountain	5 00	C. A. Borders	} New Hope pd 1 50
	1 00	W. W. Hardin	
	3 00	E. P. Roberts	
	1 00		
el	8 00		
pect	1 50	Total,	\$75.97
e fwd	25		

PLEDGES FOR MINISTERIAL
EDUCATION

Bethlehem,	5 00
Boiling Springs, pd	2 00
Bessemer City,	5 00
Casar,	1 00
Carpenter's Grove,	1 50
Cherryville,	4 00
Double Shoals,	1 00
Double Springs,	4 00
Elizabeth, pd	1 72
Fallston,	00
Grover,	5 00
King's Mountain,	5 00
Lattimore,	1 50
Lawndale,	5 00
Mt. Zion,	1 00
New Bethel,	10 00
New Prospect,	2 00
Patterson's Grove,	2 00
Patterson Station,	2 00
Pleasant Grove,	4 00
Pleasant Hill, pd	1 50
Poplar Springs,	1 00
Shelby,	15 00
Union,	2 00
Waco,	2 00
Zion,	2 00
Zoar,	1,50

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PLEDGES FOR BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Beaver Dam Pd	\$8 00
Bethlehem	5 00
Boiling Springs Pd	5 00
Bessemer City	15 00
Buffalo,	1 00
Casar	5 00
Carpenter's Grove	3 00
Cherryville, 30 copies C & C.	5 00
Double Shoals	5 00
Double Springs pd	5 00
Elizabeth pd	20 00
Fallston	5 00
Grover	10 00
King's Mtn.	10 00
Lattimore	2 00
Lawndale	25 00
Mt. Sinai pd.	2 85
Mt. Vernon	2 00
Mt. Zion	1 50
New Bethel	50 00
New Prospect	4 00
Oak Grove pd.	1 00
Patterson Grove	2 00
Pattersons Station	3 00
Pleasant Grove	3 00
Pleasant Hill pd	6 00
Poplar Springs	2 00
Ross' Grove	2 50
Sandy Plains pd	4 25
Shady Grove	3 00
Shelby	40 00
Union	6 00
Waco	5 00
Zion	3 00
Zoar pd	5 00
Rev. C. J. Woodson	10 00

TOTAL

\$285.10

PLEDGES FOR STATE, HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions
Beaver Dam	8 00	5 00	5 00
Bethlehem	15 00	5 00	12 00
Boiling Springs	pd. 6 00	pd 4 00	pd 12 00
Bessemer City	10 00	5 00	10 00
Buffalo	1 00	1 0	1 00
Casar	3 00	3 00	5 00
Carpenter's Grove	5 00	2 00	3 00
Cherryville	20 00	5 00	15 00
Double Shoals	3 00	3 00	5 00
Double Springs	25 00	10 00	15 00
Elizabeth	pd 28 00	pd 12 00	pd 21 75
Fallston	5 00	5 00	5 00
Grover	17 00	14 00	14 00
King's Mountain	20 00	5 00	20 00
Lattimore	10 00	3 00	5 00
Lawndale	10 00	10 00	20 00
Mt. Sinai	pd 2 50	pd 2 50	pd 2.50
Mt. Vernon	2 00	1 00	1 00
Mt. Zion	2 50	2 00	2 50
New Bethel	30 00	30 00	45 00
New Hope			
New Prospect	6 00	6 00	8 00
Oak Grove			
Patterson's Grove	2 00	3 00	2 00
Patterson's Station	3 00	3 00	3 00
Pleasant Grove	10 00	8 00	10 00
Pleasant Hill \$6 56 fwd. for State Missions.	pd 94	ed 8 00	pd 10 00
Poplar Springs	3 00	2 50	3 00
Ross' Grove	4 00	2 00	5 00
Sandy Plains	pd 8 00	pd 6 00	pd 5 66
Shady Grove	3 00	2 00	3 00
Shelby	110 00	60 00	85 00
Union	6 00	3 00	6 00
Waco	10 00	4 00	6 00
Zion	15 00	7 00	7 00
Zoar	5 00	3 50	3 50
Rev. C. J. Woodson	25 00	5 00	5 00
C. A. Borders			
W. W. Hardin			5 00
E. P. Roberts			
TOTALS	433 94	250 50	386 91

MINUTES OF THE
TREASURER'S REPORT.

T. K. BARNETT, Treasurer.

In account with King's Mountain Association.
STATE MISSIONS.

1903			
Sept. 26	To amt. received from Finance Committee....	\$188 48	
" "	Clerk.....	72 80	
" "	Hat Collection.....	34 00	
Oct. 19	Zoar Church.....	2 38	
Nov. 2	Pleasant Hill church..	3 21	
" "	Casar.....	1 66	
" 9	Patterson Grove church	2 50	
" "	New Hope church	9 00	
" "	Waco church.....	1 00	
" "	Pleasant Grove church	3 58	
" 23	Casar church.....	1 40	
" 26	Mt. Zion church.....	1 05	
" "	Poplar Springs church	2 65	
" "	Ross' Grove church....	1 50	
" "	Pleasant Grove church	4 94	
" 27	Fallston church.....	7 06	
" 30	Sunday School Union at Double Springs.....	25 02	
Dec. 7	Zion Church.....	9 60	
" "	Pleasant Hill church...	3 35	
" 12	Boiling Springs church	3 30	
1904.			
Jan. 4	Lattimore church.....	10 00	
Feb. 13	Boiling Springs church	1 00	
" 18	Zion church.....	3 50	
March 7	Lawndale church.....	7 55	
April 19	New Prospect church..	5 00	
" 27	Double Shoals church..	3 00	
May 6	Boiling Springs church	70	
July 4	Lawndale church.....	4 95	
Aug. 17	Zion church.....	5 45	
Sept. 3	Poplar Springs.....	35	
TOTAL			\$419 98

KING'S MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL & COLPORTAGE

1904		
June 2	S. S. Union at Elizabeth Church	\$11 38
July 4	Sunday School No 1 New Bethel	2 79
" 4	Sunday School " 2 New Bethel	1 04
" 4	Sunday School Casar	82
" 4	Sunday School Double Shoals	60
" 11	Sunday School Pleasant Grove	2 70
Sept. 3	Sunday School New Bethel	95

\$20 28

HOME MISSIONS

1903		
Sept. 26	To Amt. recd. from Finance Committee	\$112 30
" 26	Clerk	41 40
1904		
Jan 4	Casar Church	2 00
" 21	Lattimore Church	3 00
Mch 7	Lawndale Church	8 15
" 20	Patterson Grove Church	1 71
" 21	New Prospect Church	6 00
Apr 4	Pleasant Grove Church	6 50
" 11	Patterson Grove Church	1 32
" 23	Waco Church	1 00
" 27	Double Shoals Church	3 00
May 6	Boiling Springs Church	3 00
Jul 13	Fallston Church	5 00
Sept 3	Zion Church	4 00

\$198 38

FOREIGN MISSIONS

1903		
Sept 26	To Amt rec from Finance Committee	\$198 79
" "	Clerk	47 94
1904		
Jan 13	Carpenters Grove Church	1 20
" 21	Lattimore Church	5 00
" 25	Pleasant Grove Church	8 50
Feb 13	Boiling Springs Church	10 00
ch 7	Lawndale Church	10 15
" 21	New Prospect Church	8 00
Apr 11	Patterson Grove Church	2 69
" 21	Fallston Church	10 04

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MINUTES OF THE

" 23	Poplar Springs Church	1 42
" 23	Waco Church	1 00
" 27	Double Shoals Church	2 00
" 29	Casar Church	2 50
Sept 3	Zion Church	4 35
" 15	Poplar Springs Church	1 58

\$315 16

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

1903

Sept 26	To Amt rec'd from Finance Committee	\$41 25
"	Clerk	18 00

1904

Mch 2	Patterson Grove Church	1 10
Apr 19	New Prospect Church	1 50
May 2	Lawndale Church	2 00
Jul 11	Pleasant Grove Church	3 00
Sept 15	Poplar Springs Church	1 00

\$67 85

OLD MINISTERS RELIEF

1903

Sept 26	To Amt rec'd from Finance Committee	\$53 33
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1904

" "	Clerk	11 00
Jan 21	Lattimore's Church	1 00
Apr 19	New Prospect Church	1 00
May 2	Lawndale Church	3 05
Jul 11	Pleasant Grove Church	2 00
" "	Patterson's Grove Church	1 64
Sept 15	Poplar Springs Church	1 50

\$74 52

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

1903

Sept 26	To Amt rec'd from Finance Committee	\$55 85
" "	Clerk (collection included)	58 56

1904

KING'S MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Jan 21		29
Feb 19	Lattimores Church	2 00
Apr 4	Fallston Church	11 43
" 27	Double Springs Church	6 00
May 6	Double Shoals Church	2 25
" 9	Boiling Springs Church	2 50
Jul 11	Pat'ersons Grove Church	2 58
	Pleasant Grove Church	2 00

\$143 17

MINUTE FUND

1903		
Sept 26	To Amt rec'd from Finance Committee	\$45 25
	WOMANS MISSIONARY SOCIETY	

1903		
Sept 26	To Amt rec'd from King's Mountain W. M. S.	\$5 90
	FEMALE UNIVERSITY.	

1903		
Sept 26	To Amt rec'd from Sandy Plains Church	\$4 10
" "	Mt Zion Church	4 00
Dec 28	Poplar Springs Church	2 65
1904		
Jan'y 26	Mt Sinai Church	1 20

\$11 95

BUFFALO CHURCH BUILDING

903		
Oct 19	To Cash from Patterson Station Church	\$2 00
904		
Feb 5	John W Hopper	5 00
6	Poplar Springs Church	2 00

\$9 00

DISBURSED

903		
pt 30	By Check 1st Nat. Bank Shelby to W. Durham	\$819 29
"	S. H. Averette	114 41
"	L. D. Watson Jr.	8 10
t 15	W. Durham	5 90

Nov 25	By Check 1st Nat. Bank Shelby to W. Durham	29 93
Dec 4	W. Durham	37 02
" 7	W. Durham	12 95
" "	Paid D. S. Lovelace Clerk	10 00
" 31	Edwards Broughton & Co printing minutes	35 00
1904		
Jan 22	Check 1st. Nat. Bank Shelby to W. Durham	27 50
Feb 19	Stamy Bros. S. H. Averette	11 43
Mch 8	1st. Nat. Bank Shelby W. Durham	48 85
" 30	J. W. Spangler W. Durham	16 81
Apr 15	1st. Nat. Bank Shelby W. Durham	10 51
" "	S. H. Averette	6 00
" 29	W. Durham	31 46
Jun 7	J. W. Spangler W. Durham	20 13
Jul 8	Check 1st. Nat. Bank Shelby W. Durham	10 20
" 13	W. Durham	14 34
Sept 17	W. Durham	19 18
" "	S. H. Averett	9 33
" "	L. D. Watson	3 85

\$1302 19

" "	Cash on hand belong to Buffalo church building	9 00
" "	last years minute fund	25

\$1311 44

SUMMARY

Amt rec'd during the year for State Missions	\$419 98
S. S. and Colportage	20 28
Home Missions	198 38
Foreign "	315 16
Ministerial Education	67 85
Old Ministers relief	74 52
Baptist Orphanag	143 17
Minute Fund	45 25
Womans Missionary Society	5 90
Female University	11 95
Buffalo chuech building	9 00

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\$1311 44

By Amt. Disbursed	\$1302 19
" " on hand blg. to Buffalo church bldg	9 00
" " " " last years minute fund	25

\$1311 44

Respectfully Snbmitted

T. K. Barnett Treas King's Mt. Association

CONSTITUTION.

We, the united Baptist churches of Jesus Christ, located partly in the States of North Carolina and South Carolina, having all been immersed upon a profession of our faith in Christ, propose to maintain the orders and rules of an Association according to the following plans:

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known by the name of the King's Mountain Baptist Association.

2. This Association shall be composed of such members as shall be chosen and recommended by the churches in union.

3. Other churches may become members of this Association by their delegates presenting certificates of their appointment, provided on examination they be found orthodox.

4. The Association shall organize by electing a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall hold their appointments until another election, unless displaced by the body.

5. This Association, as an act of Christian courtesy, may invite ministers of our denomination to seats with us in council.

6. This Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum, which they are authorized to form for themselves.

7. This Association hath an inalienable right to judge what churches shall be admitted to its confederacy.

8. The Association thus formed shall be regarded by us only in the light of an advisory council, with no coercive power "to lord it over God's heritage."

9. This Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in its connection that shall hold corrupt doctrine or indulge in sinful or vicious practices.

10. Every church in union having a membership not exceeding fifty in number shall be entitled to a representation of two delegates and one additional delegate for every increase of fifty over that number.

11. The primary object of this Association shall be "to strive for the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace" amongst the churches the employment of domestic missionaries and to keep up the statistical accounts of the churches in its connection, and finally, to concentrate our efforts for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom on earth and for the deposition of the works of darkness.

12. None but the members of this body shall be allowed a vote in its councils, and a majority shall decide in disposing of and settling all business that may constitutionally come before them.

13. This Association in all cases disclaims the right, in its associate capacity, to settle church difficulties; but when a division occurs and two parties equally claim to be the church, and represent themselves by letter and delegates, this Association shall have the right to decide at the first or some future meeting of its body thereafter, which party shall be recognized as the constitutional church and entitled to a seat in council.

14. The minutes of the Association shall be read each day and corrected, if need be, by the body and when the business shall be gone through with, signed by the

Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

15. Any article of this Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting by a majority of two-thirds of the delegates present voting for the same.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. The Moderator shall be deemed a judge of order, and shall have a right to call to order at any time; also it shall be his duty to see that the Rules of Order are attended to; to take the opinion of the Association on all questions properly brought before the body.

3. Any member not being satisfied with his decision on any point of order may appeal to the Association on the same day the decision is made, but at no other time.

4. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular record of the transactions of the Association.

5. But one person shall speak at a time, and he shall rise to his feet and obtain leave of the Moderator, and when he has done speaking he shall sit down, and shall not speak more than twice on the same question nor more than twenty minutes at a time, unless he obtain permissions of the Association.

6. The Moderator, when addressed for leave of speech, shall signify the same by naming of them or otherwise.

7. No member shall be interrupted while speaking unless he depart from the subject on hand, or use words of personal reflection, or with a view of calling to order

for some particular purpose. Any motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except withdrawn by him who made it.

8. Every case taken up by the Association shall be decided first before another is offered.

9. When anything is taken up by the Association, after allowing time for debate, the Moderator shall put the question, and those in favor of the thing proposed shall say "aye" and those opposed to it shall say "nay" and the Moderator shall procure the decision.

10. No person being a member shall depart the service of the Association without leave.

11. The appellation of "Brother" shall be used in our addresses to each other.

12. The names of the members shall be called as often as necessary.

13. No member shall be indulged in any practice that has a tendency to interrupt in the time of a public speech or any other practice that would dishonor the Association.

14. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any other member provided he appoints some other member to his seat while he is speaking but shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided then he shall give the casting vote.

15. Any person breaking the rules of order shall be reprovved the discretion of the Association but on the day the breach was made.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1. We believe in one only true and living God—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost three in one.
2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only true rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.
4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will and holiness.
5. We believe in the doctrine of Election, through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the Truth.
6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the merit of Jesus Christ.
7. We believe that saints shall persevere in grace, and not finally fall away.
8. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers who have been immersed upon a profession of faith are the only proper subjects of the Lord's table.
9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment.
10. We believe that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.
11. We believe that no minister has a right to the administration of the ordinances only such as has been called of God as was Aaron and regularly baptised and approved by the church and has come under the imposition of hands by a Presbytery.

TABLE SHOWING TIME, PLACE, ETC., FROM ORGANIZATION TO PRESENT TIME.

Year.	Where Held.	Introductory Sermon	Moderator.	Clerk	Treasurer
1851	Double Springs	D. Pannel	T Dixon	J R Logan	
1852	New Bethel	J. Suttle	do	do	
1853	Boiling Springs	G. W. Rollins	D Pannel	do	
1854	Mt. Sinia	D. Pannel	do	do	
1855	Zion	G. W. Rollins	do	do	
1856	New Prospect	T. Dixon	T Dixon	do	
1857	Big Springs	G. W. Rollins	G W Rollins	do	
1858	Olivet	J. Suttle	do	J W Green	
1859	Pleasant Hill	G. W. Rollins	L M Berry	J R Logan	
1860	High Shoals	L. M. Berry	do	do	
1861	Lincolnton	R. P. Logan	do	do	
1862	New Bethel	L. M. Berry	G W Rollins	do	
1863	Sandy Run	G. W. Rollins	do	do	
1864	Bethel, Ire. Co.	L. M. Berry	R P Logan	do	
1865	Zoar	G. W. Rollins	do	do	
1866	Concord	P. R. Elam	R Poston	do	
1867	Thessalonica	J. H. Yarboro	J H Yarboro	G M Webb	
1868	Mt. Paron	G. M. Webb	do	do	
1869	Double Springs	G. W. Rollins	G W Rollins	do	
1870	High Shoals	R. P. Logan	do	do	
1871	Bethel, Ire. Co.	G. M. Webb	T Dixon	do	
1872	Bethlehem	Wade Hill	do	do	
1873	Zion	G. W. Rollins	G W Rollins	B H Bridges	
1874	Sandy Run	Wade Hill	do	do	
1875	New Hope	T. Dixon	T Dixon	L M Logan	
1876	Sandy Plains	G. W. Rollins	do	do	
1877	Pleasant Hill	J. H. Yarboro	G W Rollins	do	
1878	Boiling Springs	A. C. Irvin	T Dixon	B H Bridges	B H Bridges
1879	New Prospect	H. Hatcher	A L Stough	L M Logan	
1880	Double Springs	P. R. Elam	T Dixon	do	
1881	Buffalo	W. A. Nelson	do	do	
1882	Bethel, R. Co	A. L. Stough	J Y Hamrick	do	
1883	Pleasant Grove	G. P. Hamrick	do	do	
1884	Big Springs	A. C. Irvin	H F Schenck	do	T D Lattimore
1885	Grover	B. W. Bussy	do	do	do
1886	Beaver Dam	G. M. Webb	do	D S Lovelace	do
1887	New Bethel	J. D. Hufham	do	do	do
1888	High Shoals	J M M Manaway	do	do	do
1889	Elizabeth	G. P. Hamrick	do	do	do
1890	Zion	J. A. Speight	do	do	do
1891	Waco	F. C. Hickson	do	do	do
1892	Gastonia	G. P. Hamrick	do	do	do
1893	Boiling Springs	J. L. Sproles	do	do	do
1894	Shelby	A. C. Irvin	do	do	do
1895	Bethlehem	J. D. Hufham	do	do	do
1896	Lattimore	G. P. Hamrick	do	do	do
1897	New Hope	A. C. Irvin	E Y Webb	do	do
1898	Sandy Plains	T. Dixon	do	do	do
1899	New Prospect	G. M. Webb	do	do	J F Williams
1900	Double Springs	R. L. Linrick	do	do	do
1901	Cherryville	T. Dixon	do	do	T K Barnet
1902	Pleasant Grove	R. N. Hawkins	H F Schenck	do	do
1903	Pleasant Hill	R. F. Treadway	A C Irvin	do	do
1904	Zoar	D. F. Putnam	do	do	do
					H D Wilson

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Name of School.	Superintendants and their Post-Offices.	Secretaries and their Post-Offices.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Total.	No. of Schools.	No. Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and other Papers Taken	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.	No. Baptisms from School.
Beaver Dam.....	W. E. McSwain, Lattimore.....	C P Blanton, R F D 4 Shelby	7	74	81	1		80	12	35	3
Bethlehem.....	G. H. Logan, Crocker.....	B G Logan, Crocker	10	75	85	1		100	12	60	8
Boiling Springs.....	E. O. Green, R. F. D. 3, Shelby	M T Green, R F D 3 Shelby	8	125	133	1		125	12	72	9
Bessemer City.....	H. W. Clark, Bessemer City.....	O W Smith, Bessemer City	12	186	198	1		120	12	86	8
Buffalo.....	E. M. Lankford, Stubbs.....	B B Blanton, Stubbs	5	54	59	1		72	12	35	3
Casar.....	C. D. Stroup, Casar.....	J F Clippard, Casar	5	53	58	1		60	6	30	
Carpenter's Grove.....	J. Z. Falls, Belwood.....	D C Carpenter, Knob Creek	5	60	65	1		65	9	37	2
Cherryville.....	B. H. Roberts, Cherryville.....	J W Kendrick, Cherryville	10	224	234	1		150	12	120	5
Corinth.....											
Double Shoals.....	J. M. Green, Double Shoals.....	G A Green, Double Shoals	6	78	84	1		80	12	38	4
Double Springs.....	O. M. Green, R. F. D. 4, Shelby	A V Washburn, R F D 4 Shelby	7	100	107	1		125	12	74	13
Elizabeth.....	I. B. Allen, Shelby.....	T G Roberts, Shelby	10	165	175	1	50	160	12	80	5
Fallston.....	P. Z. Carpenter, Fallston.....	J J Blanton, Fallston	9	98	107	1		120	12	60	
Grover.....	J. A. Ellis, Grover.....		7	96	103	1		105	12	54	1
King's Mountain.....	S. S. Weir, King's Mountain.....	W M Keller, King's Mountain	10	150	160	1		300	12	80	9
Lattimore.....	A. M. Lattimore, Lattimore.....	J H Jones, Lattimore	6	54	60	1		90	12	44	4
Lawndale.....											
Mt. Sinai.....	J. H. Hawkins, Stice.....	W O Putnam, R F D 2 Shelby	7	30	37	1		50	12	22	7
Mt. Vernon.....	J. C. Martin, Hulls X Roads.....	C P Lattimore, Hulls X Roads	6	42	48	1		51	6	40	
Mt. Zion.....	R. F. Putnam, Cherryville.....	W E Ferguson, Waco	6	90	96	1		90	9	50	
New Bethel.....	Carne Elam, Lawndale.....	C M Ledford, Cleveland Mills	7	75	82	2	51	100	12	41	5
Cleveland Mills.....	T. J. Ransaur, Cleveland Mills.	J H Trott, Cleveland Mills	5	55	60			76		33	4
New Hope.....	A. E. Bettis, Earl.....		9	85	94			89		41	
New Prospect.....	S. B. Jones, R. F. D. 1, Shelby...	E Champion, R F D 1 Shelby	5	81	86	1		85	12	45	4
Oak Grove.....	J. C. Blanton, King's Mountain...	Ada Brown, R F D 2 King's Mtn	7	42	49	1		57	12	35	
Patterson's Grove.....	C. F. Foster, King's Mountain...	W M Ledford, King's Mountain	10	84	94	1		86	12	46	
Patterson's Station.....	T. H. Lowry, Patterson Springs	H M Camp, Patterson Springs	7	55	62	1		62	12	45	6
Pleasant Grove.....	Sylvanus Gardner, Beam's Mills.	Essie Elliot, Beam's Mills	8	83	91	1		100	12	51	12
Pleasant Hill.....	S. R. Anthony, R. F. D. 2, Shelby.	May Camp, R F D 2 Shelby	8	112	120	1		110	12	72	12
Poplar Springs.....	M. D. Moore, R. F. D. 3, Shelby.	Robbie Lattimore, R F D 3 Shelby	7	85	92	1		80	12	50	8
Ross' Grove.....	I. Y. Weathers, Shelby.	G E Spurlin, Shelby	6	70	76	1		85	12	40	
Sandy Plains.....	J. P. Walker, R. F. D. Lattimore.	E C Bridges, R F D 1 Lattimore	7	102	109	1		228	9	50	7
Shady Grove.....	D. M. Witherspoon, Cherryville	D R. Stroup, Cherryville.	5	40	45	1		6	6	35	5
Shelby.....	O. M. Mull, Shelby	J J Lattimore, Shelby	30	318	348	2		125	12	224	8
Union.....	R. L. Weathers, R. F. D. 5, Shelby	R E Campbell, R F D 5 Shelby	6	124	130	1		100	12	50	
Waco.....	J. W. Spargoe, Waco	C C Beam, Waco	7	60	67	1		75	12	45	4
Zion.....	F. P. Gold, R. F. D. 5, Shelby	T L Simmons, R F D 5 Shelby	7	60	67	1		90	6	35	
Zoar.....	S. B. Hamrick, Shelby	B V McEntyre, Shelby	8	60	68	1		75	12	50	4
Total.			285	3345	3630	36	101	3566			156

OTHER AGENCIES.

Boiling Springs, W. M. S., Mrs. W. A. Webb President, Shelby R. F. D. 3, No. members 38; B. Y. P. U., D. S. Lovelace, R. F. D. 3, Shelby, President, No. members 45; Sunbeams, Miss Bertha Green Shelby R. F. D. 3, President, No. members 50.

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

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Name of Church	Clerks and their Post-offices.	Pastors and their Post-offices	Time of Preaching.	Received by Baptism.	Received by Letter	Received by Restoration.	Total.	Lost by Letter.	Lost by Exclusion.	Lost by Death.	Total.	Gain.	Loss.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership.
Beaver Dam.....	T P Hamrick, R F D 4 Shelby	M E Parish, Shelby	4	10			10	2	1		3	7		112	210	322
Bethlehem.....	J F Herndon, King's M.	A H Sims, King's Mountain	4	10	3	1	14	7		4	11	3		107	131	238
Boiling Springs...	J B Hamrick, R F D 4 Shelby	C W Salter, Lowrysville, S	1	11	6		17	10	1	1	12	5		142	155	297
Bessemer City....	H W Clark, Bessemer	D F Putnam, Cherryville	2, 4	13	21	1	35	16	5	1	22	13		70	120	190
Buffalo.....	E M Lankford, Stubbs	R N Hawkins, Sharon	4	4	10		14	4	3		7	7		18	39	57
Casar.....	M N Pruett, Shade	J V Devenny, Lawndale	3		1	1	2	8	5		13		11	23	37	60
Carpenter's Grove.	J M Carpenter, Knob Creek	J M Bridges, R F D 5 Shelby	1	3			3	5		1	6		3	40	36	76
Cherryville.....	W J T Styers, Cherryville	D F Putnam, Cherryville	1, 3	10	15		25	16	11		27		2	92	154	246
*Corinth.....	G W Hood, Plateau	J B Bridges, Jugtown	4		4		4	1	4		5		1	35	50	85
Double Shoals....	J M Green, Double Shoals	J V Devenny, Lawndale	2	7	3		10	11			9	16		47	57	104
Double Springs....	J L Green, Depew	D G Washburn, R F 4 Shelby	2	13	12		25	9			9	10		142	199	341
Elizabeth.....	W J Roberts, Shelby	A H Sims, King's Mountain	2	7	11	1	19	9		3	4			22	32	54
Fallston.....	J J Blanton, Fallston	T Dixon, Fallston	2	2	2		4	1			8		4	75	123	198
Grover.....	Charles Borders, Grover	J D Baily, Cowpens. S C		1	3		4	4		4				114	165	279
King's Mountain..	S S Weir, King's Mountain	A H Sims, King's Mountain	1, 3	14	23		37	10		1	11	26		58	77	135
Lattimore.....	J H Jones, Lattimore	A C Irvin, R F D 5 Shelby	1	5	9		14	2	3		17		12	17	28	45
Lawndale.....	J H Foyles, Lawndale	J V Devenny, Lawndale	4	5			5	17			2	10		55	59	114
Mt. Sinai.....	E A Weaver, Stice's	J M Goode, Mooresboro	3	10	1	1	12	1	1	1	9		8	50	75	125
Mt. Vernon.....	F J Leatherman, Hull's Road	J M Bridges, Camp Call	2	12	4	1	17	8		2	3		3	56	114	170
Mt. Zion.....	A L Houser, Cherryville	J C Gillespie, Shelby	3											55	105	160
New Bethel.....	Carne Elam, Lawndale	J V Devenny, Lawndale	1	8	3	1	12	5		3	15		3	110	168	278
New Hope.....	C A Borders, R F D 4 Shelby	I T Newton, Blacksburg, S	2	4	4		8	3	1	4	8			121	160	281
New Prospect....	J M Gillespie, Double Shoals	T Dixon, Fallston	3	5	15	1	21	9		4	13	8		50	52	102
Oak Grove.....	W C Dixon, Waco	R N Hawkins, R F D 3 Shelby	3	1			1	3	1		4		3	44	58	102
Patterson's Grove.	J B Patterson, King's Mtn.	J C Gillespie, Shelby	2	2			2	5	2		2	6		33	47	80
Patterson's Station	L C McSwain, Patterson Sp'gs	D G Washburn, R F 4 Shelby	1	7	1		8	2			6	24		117	183	300
Pleasant Grove...	R W Gardner, Beam's Mills	D G Washburn, Depew	4	21	8	1	30	4	1	1	6	21		132	113	245
Pleasant Hill.....	J A Roberts, Patterson Springs	D G Washburn, Depew	1	18	5		23	1			5	6		39	54	93
Poplar Springs....	A M Hamrick, R F D 3 Shelby	J C Gillespie, Shelby	4	9	2		11	3	1	1	20		15	41	67	108
Ross' Grove.....	J E Blanton, R F D 1 Shelby	J C Gillespie, Shelby	1		4	1	5	15	4		1	15	6	88	168	256
Sandy Plains.....	C R Whitaker, R F 1 Lattimore	Z D Harrill, Ellenboro	3	10	11		21	14		3	4	8		40	55	95
Shady Grove.....	D R Stroup, Cherryville	C W Payseur, Alexis	1	9	1		12	1		3	4	25		203	244	447
Shelby.....	C C Roberts, Shelby	M E Parrish, Shelby	E.S.	16	25		43	15	1	1	16		8	64	118	182
Union.....	R L Weathers, R F 5 Shelby	J V Devenny, Lawndale	4		7	1	8	14		3	8			53	71	124
Waco.....	W H Moss, Waco	R A Hedgepath, Forest City	1	4	4		8	5		3	8	19		73	129	202
Zion.....	F P Gold, R F D 5 Shelby	Z D Harrill, Ellenboro	1	9	18		27	5		1	5	5		66	110	176
Zoar.....	S B Hamrick, Shelby	D G Washburn, R F 4 Shelby	3	5	5		10	4								
Total.			265	241	15	521	249	63	38	350	242	71	2746	3936	6682	

*Corinth took a letter of dismission.

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FINANCIAL TABLE.

Name of Church	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Baptist Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Old Ministers Relief	Other Objects	Minute Fund	Total for all Objects	Seating Capacity	Value of Church Property
Beaver Dam.....	133 00	100 00	23 62	6 00		6 00	3 00	5 00	4 50	1 50	1 00	9 10	1 20	184 82	600	800 00
Bethlehem.....	204 55	100 00	12 00	12 00		15 00	5 00	22 04	5 00	3 00	5 00	40 00	2 05	373 64	500	1000 00
Boiling Springs..	200 00	1200 00	18 00	16 84		5 00	3 00	10 00	2 50		2 00		1 08	1438 42	500	1500 00
Bessemer City....	240 00	75 00	5 00	15 00		5 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 00	2 00	75	364 75	500	1000 00
Buffalo.....	50 00					2 00	1 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	2 00		70	60 70	500	500 00
Casart.....	80 00		1 52	4 30		3 06	2 00	3 30	3 50	1 00	1 00	1 00	60	97 58	450	450 00
Carpenter's Grove.	85 00	10 00				4 00	2 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 00	5 00	174	120 40	450	600 00
Cherryville.....	250 00	515 00	37 90	48 87		20 00	10 00	10 00	18 00	3 75	1 61	92 20	81	1010 07		
*Corth.....	60 00		1 00	7 78		3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	9 10	90	90 78	400	550 00
Double Shoals....	67 00		125 00			25 00	10 00	15 00	8 00	4 00	1 00	40 00	3 00	433 15	400	700 00
Elizabeth.....	200 00		22 89	12 60		28 00	12 00	21 75	20 00	1 72	1 72	41 50	2 05	323 19	450	700 00
Fallston.....	80 00	116 00	6 00	15 89		7 06	5 00	10 04	12 43	5 00	3 00		1 00	293 13		1000 00
(Grover.....	200 00		25 76	17 00		25 00	13 00	46 41	5 00	5 00	5 00	31 50	2 00	636 31	500	1400 00
King's Mountain..	223 90		57 50	17 00		10 00	3 00	5 00	2 00	4 35	3 05	47 00	1 50	221 50	500	1000 00
Latimore.....	125 00		10 60			10 00	10 00	21 50	36 80	1 00	1 00	40 77	75	275 18	500	500 00
Lawndale.....	141 53		3 28	3 00		12 50	10 90	2 50	2 50	2 00	1 00		75	301 65	500	500 00
Mt. Sinai.....	50 00	125 00	4 58			2 50	2 50	2 50	2 00	2 00	1 00		75	27 80	500	400 00
Mt. Vernon.....						2 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	1 00		80	385 67	400	1100 00
Mt. Zion.....	15 00		1 00			29 20	26 55	31 80	26 85	10 45	8 75	29 42	1 25	216 54	300	1500 00
New Bethel.....	207 15		14 25	6 40		5 00	6 00	8 00	3 00	1 50	1 00	25 00	2 00	162 60	300	429 19
New Hope.....	152 72			3 66		5 00	5 00	5 00	6 00			29 46	1 50	63 95	300	600 00
New Prospect....	100 00			7 35		2 50	4 01	2 50	2 50	1 00	1 00		35	98 90	300	800 00
Oak Grove.....	60 00			6 36		2 50	2 50	2 50	2 00	2 00	1 00	37 70	2 05	244 36	400	1000 00
Patterson's Grove.	75 00			6 38		2 50	2 50	2 50	2 00	2 00	2 00	11 55	1 00	175 75	400	1200 00
Patterson's Station	160 00			6 38		2 50	2 50	2 50	2 00	2 00	2 00		2 05	94 61	400	1000 00
Pleasant Hill.....	150 00	2 61	11 72	9 00		9 00	6 00	8 50	2 00	3 00	2 00		2 05	250 00	600	600 00
Poplar Springs....	100 00	52 00	8 00	7 00		3 00	2 50	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 50	20 00	50	112 16	600	600 00
Ross (Grove.....	80 00		8 35	6 56		5 00	2 00	3 65	4 20	1 00	1 00		75	117 02	600	600 00
Sandy Plains.....	100 00			2 65		5 00	2 00	4 25	3 45		1 00	8 15	1 37	80 85	500	500 00
Shady Grove.....	65 00			84 63		3 00	2 00	85 00	40 00	15 00	10 00	223 72	2 50	3676 56	500	1000 00
Shelby.....	1200 00	1506 78	292 15	49 78		110 00	60 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	10 00	1 00	126 00	600	600 00
Union.....	100 00			10 27		5 00	2 00	4 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	10 25	1 30	286 57	600	800 00
Waco.....	200 00	34 00	15 00			10 00	4 00	6 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	10 25	1 75	149 55	500	800 00
Zion.....	100 00			8 48		18 55	6 00	3 50	3 00	1 50	1 50	10 95	1 40	1448 85	500	1600 00
Zoar.....	100 00	1300 00				5 00	3 50	3 50	3 00	1 50	1 50					
Total	5591 06	5275 29	704 37	309 01	113 31	418 87	226 61	382 48	247 11	80 77	68 77	731 25	44 00	14192 90	13150	35779 19

*Corinth took a letter of dismission.

THE VARIOUS SOCIETIES MADE CONTRIBUTIONS IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE AS FOLLOWS:

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1904	Zoa

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